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**East Hartford Economic Development Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
Thursday, October 28, 2021
Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams/Teleconference**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Rosario called the meeting to order at 5:32 PM.

Members Present:

Veronica Rosario, Chair
Jim Arsenault, Jr.
Pat Harmon
Anita Morrison
Angie Parkinson

Members Absent:

Joelle Murchison, Vice Chair
Phil Davis
Carol Noel, Planning & Zoning Commission representative

Guests Present:

Michael Daniels, Economic Development Coordinator

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Morrison moved to approve the minutes of the September 23, 2021 meeting.
Mr. Arsenault seconded the motion.
All voted in favor, none voted opposed
Motion Passed

3. FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

The members discussed changing the usual meeting time for the future to 5:45 PM.

Ms. Morrison moved to change the November 22nd meeting to 5:45 PM.
Mr. Arsenault seconded the motion.
All voted in favor, none voted opposed
Motion Passed

The members agreed to proceed with the planned December 1st Joint Meeting with the Redevelopment Agency at 6:00 PM at Carmine's Bar & Grill.

4. ENTREPRENURIAL SUPPORT UPDATE

The Small Business 101 Series will move from webinars to a different format of support for small businesses in conjunction with the Library and the Chamber of Commerce, to be determined.

5. BUSINESS VISIT SCHEDULE

Mr. Daniels will continue to reach out to Rebel Dog Coffee Co. for their availability and will reach out to the new owners of Roma Pizza as well. Ms. Murchison was not present, but she is expected to contact C3 Creative Collaborative Community to inquire about their availability.

6. DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT UPDATE

The Town Council approved the sale of 550 Burnside Avenue to Habitat for Humanity for the development of single-family homes. Key Food plans to open at 954 Main Street in November. A Bonito Fashion Boutique plans to open at 1127 Main Street in November as well. Mr. Daniels will follow up with Rosa's Café on the status of their plans to expand to a second location.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Morrison moved to adjourn.
Ms. Parkinson seconded the motion.
All voted in favor, none voted opposed
Motion Passed

Meeting adjourned at 6:04 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Daniels
Economic Development Coordinator